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Members of Federal Commission Sworn In By Chief Justice Covington.

MISS WILSON IS PRESENT

emony-Senator Newlands Entertains at Luncheon.

The Federal Trade Commission today took form as a powerful governmental agency with powers of regulation over "big business" when its five members were sworn in by Chief Justice Covington, of the District Supreme Court, and organized by electing Joseph E. Davies. of Wisconsin, as its chairman.

In addition to Chairman Davies, the members of the commission are Edward N. Hurley, of Illinois; William J. Harris, of Georgia; William H. Parry, of Washington, and George Rublee, of New Hampshire. All have been confirmed by the Senate except Commissloper Rublee, who was given a recess appointment by the President.

commission, a position paying \$5,000, was deferred until later. The commis-Francis H. Walker, deputy commissiener of corporations, who was legislated out of office when the trade com mission absorbed the old bureau, will be chief examiner for the commission.

daughter of the President, was present as the guest of Mrs. Davies. Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Rublee also were presaughter of the President, was present the guest of Mrs. Davies. Mrs. arris and Mrs. Rubiee also were present to see their husbands take the oath office. Others present during the remony were:

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury alburn. Assistant Secretary of War

Breckenridge, Assistant Attorney eral Todd, Assistant Secretary of the Interior Jones, Senator Newlands of Nevada, Judge Siddons, of the District Court: Commissioners Newman and Brownlow, J. H. Fahey, of 14, the port of Progress will be open.
Boston, president of the Chamber of "San Antonio reports that General Commerce of the United States; Comof Indian Affairs Sells, Solici. tor Folk, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and John Barrett, director

of the Pan-American Union. After a short business meeting the members of the commission were luncheon guests of Senator Newlands at the Metropolitan Club. Chief Justice Covernment Senator Newlands Metropolifan Club. Chief Justice Covington also was a guest. Senator Newlands and Chief Justice Covington, who was a member of Congress from Maryland when the Trade Commission bill was passed, were co-authors of the

Old Quarters Left.

The immediate problem before the commission will be to find office room for the Commissioners and their staffs. 'ongress struck out a rental appropriation of \$10,000 from the trade commission bill, leaving the commission only tion of \$10,000 from the trade commission only the old quarters in the Commerce build-ing, now occupied by the Bureau of orporations.
All the 300 employes of the Bureau of

All the 300 employes of the Bureau of corporations remain as employes of the Trade Commission at their old salaries. The commissioners have yet to appoint secretaries, although Chairman Davies announced that he will retain Frank D. Jones in this capacity. Examiners and expert investigators also will be need-ed when the commission starts on its mission of regulating corporations and business along the same lines as the In-tenstate Commerce Commission reg-ulates the railroads.

PRESIDENTIAL BEE STINGS "JIM" WATSON

Former Congressman "Jim" Wason of Indiana has arrived in town, and is showing symptoms of having been "stung" by the Presidential bee-Politicians, familiar with the situa-ion, are convinced that Mr. Watson

eventually will recover, but just now he is the subject of a lot of gossip. It appears that Mr. Watson and former Vice President Luirbanks will have a conference on the subject of their re-spective booms in a few weeks and will decide what to do

It is not expected here that Mr. Wat son will make a serious attempt to ge the Republican nomination. As one of the old aides of "Uncle Joe" Can-non, any serious effort on his part would cause a wave of protest from progressive Republicans. In an interview, Mr. Watson declared and predicted Republican success next

Syme to Study Jitney Bus Services in Two Cities

The jitney bus services furnished by Kansas Cit, and New Orleans are to the be inspected by Corporation Counsel

Mr. Syme will leave this atternoon for street Turson, Ariz, where he will assist in the trial of a case involving 190,000 acres of hand in Arizona, in which he and his father. S. M. Syme, of this city, are largely pureested. After leaving Turson, he will go to Les Angeles San brancisco, returning by way kansus tity and New Orleans, re he will inquire into the pitney parvices with a view to reporting his observations as to methods of man agement and regulation to the Commissioners Mr Syme probably will b He will be accompanied by Mrs. Syme.

TRADE BOARD Partner of McManus SENT BACK TO Pennsylvania, Greatest EMBARGO NAMES DAVIES For Slain Man's Family ASYLUM, THAW

AS CHAIRMAN George W. Knoblauch, Unable to Get Satisfaction at PLANS FIGHT State Department, Tries to Get Information From White House-Bryan Angered By Inquiries, He Says.

Unable to get satisfaction at the State Department, George W. Knoblauch of New York today appealed to the White House for information as to what the Administration proposes to do to obtain proper compensation for the widow and children of John B. McManus, Notable Gathering Attends Cer- the American killed in Mexico City last week by Zapatista soldiers.

Mr. Knoblauch, who was a partner of the murdered man in the Mexican Sanitary Dairy Company, was referred back to the State Department with the information that Secretary Bryan was handling the matter through the Brazilian minister at Mexico City. The New Yorker had hoped to make a direct appeal to the President.

While Mr. Knoblauch said he had been informed by Bryan and subordinate officials that an indemnity and the punishment of Mc-Manus' slayers had been demanded from Zapata and Villa, he declared that he had been unable to get the slightest information as to the sum of money called for or whether the slayers had been punished.

ONLY WORKING FOR FAMILY.

President Wilson today expressed the belief that conditions in Mexico

proper reparation for the widow and

children of McManus, and that as a re-sult of assurances already received

sult of assurances already received he thought that foreigners generally

would be more secure in the Mexican

Owing to the fact, he observed, that

two opposing camps were now in pos-session of the termini of the Mexico City-Vera Cruz railroad line, military

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President Wilson announced today that he would hold a series of confer-

devise a budget system for the Govern-

Under the present system, the Pres

dent said, it was impossible for the Administration to curtain expenditures which Congress directs it to make.
Although the President declared that he had not read the statement made by

Chairman Fitzgerald, of the House Ap-propriations Committee, predicting a deficit of \$133,000,000 in the Treasury by

the end of the fiscal year, he remarked that it remained to be seen whether Mr. Fitzgerald's figures were correct.

pick up in response to the recovery of business.

The President denied that he and his

advisers were considering the advis-ability of floating Panama canal conds to meet the deficit.

Admits He Asked Her to

Marry Him.

Two Children Forgotten

Hew many children have you, Mr

unes."
"Fourteen," was the reply
"All living?" asked the court
"Oh, yes, all living," said Nimes,
"Just a minute," said Attorney Noran, "Your petition says that you have

ixteen children. Haven't you forgotten

"Met me see." said Names. "That is right, I have system. I forget two." "I guess be has to stand them all up and call the roll," remarked the court.

Lord Slain in Action.

LOSLES Markley Lord Budsonne

then to the a between the test of the differ Chards, has been killed in action

it was announced today.

Committee.

were less in a ferment than last week He declared the Administration was taking every step possible to obtain

"My sole interest in the matter," said at Piedras Negras after commandeer-Knoblauch, "has been to get for the widow and her four children an ade-quate sum to keep them from poverty.

Sho (a still in Marke City trying to the commandeer-She is still in Mexico City, trying to save something. I cannot find out what is being done by the department. I hate to bother Mr. Bryan again. He has all the advantage whenever he wants to cut off an interview. The last time I asked him how he and the Ad-ministration interpreted the plank in the last Democratic platform, Fuaranteeing protection for the lives and property of Americans abroad, he go, very angry. At the same time I don't like being shunted from pillar to post."

Secretary Bryan said today that no figure had yet been determined upon for the indemnity which this Government

the indemnity which this Government will demand for McManus' family. The The position pays \$5,000, while as deputy commissioner Dr. Walker received but \$5,500.

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Will demand for McManus' family. The President, talking with callers, said that he expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that this report will hardly reach Washington in less than two weeks, owing to the interruption in mail service.

Formal confirmation was obtained to-day both at the State Department and the state Department and the expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that the expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that this report will hardly reach Washington in the State Department and the expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that the expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that the expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that the expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that the expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that the expected a full report of the details of the killing by mail from Mexico City. At the State Department it was said that the expected a full report of the expected

"Minister of Foreign Relations Uru eta reports from Vera Cruz: 'I beg to advise you that from this date, March "San Antonio reports that General Herrera on Sunday night defeated and routed the Villistas at Allende, thirty-five miles south of Piedras Negras, killing more than 400 and capturing many prisoners. As a consequence it ences in the early fall with the Sherley is reported that the Villista garrison committee, appointed by the House to

"HELD UP" PENNSY

Willard Thompson Explains How to the fact that the postoffice revenues, which had been running behind, have within the last two months begun to Property Was Sold to Pennsylvania Line.

That the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Mantic Railway, slashed its rates and MRS. ANGLE DEFENDS resorted to rebating to compel the Pennsylvania to buy its line in 1897-98, was testified by Willard Thompson, vice president and general manager of this Coolly Denies Assaulting Ballou; ine and the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia line, before Commissioner lements today in the Interstate Commerce Commission hearing on the peti-tion of the Pennsylvania railroad to re-tain its steamboat lines on the Chesa-peake bay and the Potomac river. Mr. Thompson testified that when the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic fend herself against the charge of kill-log waldo R. Ballou, Stamford politic-Company purchased the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia, the physical property of the line was worth, in his judgment about \$1,816,000, but it was capitalized at \$5,000,000. Three million is worthen the met his death by a fall down the stairs of her apartments.

Testifying in a firm, even voice, she denied that she assaulted Ballou, and swore that he met his death by a fall down the stairs of her apartments.

"Yes, Mr. Ballou asked me to marry him," she replied to a question. "I told him he was too old. He had grown children. These were my objections."

PROTESTED BY MANY

Washington Club and Residents File Complaints Against Proposed Tracks.

Protest against the proposed extension of the tracks of the Capital Traction Company in Seventeenth street northwest, from U to I streets was received by the Public Utilities Commission today from the Washington Club. sion today from the Washington Club, 1701 K street northwest.

The protest, it is stated, is made by the board of governors in behalf of 500 members on the ground that the operation of a street railway in Seventeenth street would injure the club property. There is no need of a street car line on this street, it is stated, as there is a line in operation in Connecticut avenue, one square away.

A subcommittee of the special com-

mittee of the Chamber of Commerce an pointed to propose a remedy for the congestion of traffic on New York avestreet; northwest today asked a hear ing by the Public Phillies Commission oundites proposed extension, re mobility will appear before

Habeas Corpus Writ Opens New Proceedings to Test Sanity of Fugitive.

S RETURNABLE ON FRIDAY

Supreme Court Denies Motion to Return Prisoner to New Hampshire.

NEW YORK, March 16.-New habean orpus proceedings to test Harry K. Thaw's sanity and right to freedom were begun today, after Supreme Court Justice Page denied Thaw's motion to be returned to New Hampshire.

Thaw secured a habeas corpus writ from Justice Bijur, had it served on the Tombs warden and Sheriff Grifen hagen before Justice Page's ruling and thus prevented Matteawan authorities from immediately seizing him

Sanity hearings will be begun on Friday before Justice Bijur with Thaw meanwhite remaining in the Tombs.

Denies Motion To Return-

Justice Page denied the motion Thaw to be returned to the State of New Hampshire following his acquittal Saturday on a charge of conspiring to effect his release from Matteawan. Justice Page ordered Thaw placed i the custody of Sheriff Grifenhagen in conformance with the habeas corpus conformance with the habeas corpus writ issued early today until March 19. In his opinion denying Thaw's motion to be returned to New Hampshire, Justice Page pointed out that Thaw had never been discharged from Matteawan, and, therefore, the original order of Justice Dowling, declaring him insane and sending him to Matteawan is in force. exigencies made it difficult to require both sides to agree to keep the line open. He expressed, howver, the be-

and sending him to Matteawan is in force.

Justice Page ordered that Thaw be returned to the authorities at Matteawan, or to any authorities designated to by any other branch of the court.

The final part of this ruling covered today's writ of habeas corpus, and under that Thaw blocked his return to Matteawan, at least until March 19, liefore that time it is expected he will again carry his case to the Supreme Court.

Back To Matteawan. Justice Page made it clear in his rul-

of Conferences With Sherley shown no lack of good faith. The indictment and the trial on the conspiracy charges were regular and were car-ried through, he ruled. He declared, however, that the State's right to re-turning Thaw to Matteawan is unquestioned. He asserted that as Thaw is an escaped prisoner from Matteawan the State of New York does not have to return him to New Hampshire. How he was brought back to New York does not make any difference in the case, he

DIRECT PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY TO BE ISSUE

Wilson Indicates Bill Will Be Introduced in Congress in December.

Following recent conferences with Senator Pomerene of Ohio. President Wilson today indicated that a bill would HERSELF ON STAND be introduced in Congress next Decem ber for the enactment of a Presidential primary law. Senator Pomerene probably will be in charge of the fight. The President avoided stating whether he himself would urge the action.

He said that his conferences with the BRIDGEPORT, March 16.-Mrs. Helen Ohio Senator related almost entirely to the constitutional questions involved. There is still some dubt as to whether Congress, without authority conterred by a constitutional amendment, can en-act such a law. Should it be decided that an amendment is necessary, the plan could hardly be put into operation in time for the 1916 campaign. The system suggested by the President in his first annual message to Cor gress provided for a convention made up of candidates for Congress, so that the platform drafted might more

Democrats, while manifesting no unof enthusiasm over the By Father of Sixteen idea of Presidential primaries, are in-clined to believe that if a law were enacted before the next campaign, it SANTA ROSA, Cai. March 16.—Two legst children were found in the publicans than the Democrats, as superior court recently. The way it committed to the renomination of President Wilson, the Republicans have be

fectively bind the party in matters of

Brief Filed By U. S. in Sand Contract Suit

no means agreed on the man they will

support.

Assistant Attorney General Thompson today filed a built for the Government then, appearing embarrassed, made no in the United States Supreme Court in reply. the case of Lewis E. Smoot against the i nited States, arising from a contract held by Smoot to furnish sand for the washington aquiednet filtration plant. Smoot sued for \$23,368 damages. The "Madam," the sea raider repited, bow Court on appeal

Roanoke Fire Loss \$35,000 ing and Catogal Grocery stores.

MISS ELIZABETH KOLB.

Miss Elizabeth Kolb Breaks Bottle of Champagne this matter. Against Steel Sides as Huge Dreadnaught Slides Down Ways.

NEWPORT NEWS. March 16.—The powers of Europe were anchored and ing that the State of New York had greatest battleship in the world entered many her native element at 10:13 o'clock today. In the presence of an enthusiastic assemblage, the great 31,400 ton battle-

against her steel sides, and the voice of Miss Elizabeth. Kolb, of Germantown, Pa., pronounced the time-honored formula: "I christen thee Pennsylvania," a great roar rose from the steam sirens of a hundred craft, drowning the cheese

that the Pennsylvania never will be called upon to demonstrate her prowess

was a representative gathering which witnessed the launching. In the harbor, ships of the warring

given time to see what a great Ameri-can superdreadnaught looked like sliding down the ways.

In the harbor also was the German ship Pennsylvania slid down the ways into the ocean at the great yards of the Newport News Shipbuilding Company.

And as the traditional ribbon bedecked champagne bottle crashed

guests proceeded across to Old Point protests. Comfort, where luncheon was served. It is In responding to the toast. The American Navy," Secretary Daniels sounded the keynote of the Administration's at-

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Speaker Champ Clark virtually has

The story would be taken less ser-

ionsly here were it not for the fact

that the friends of Speaker Clark are

Former Congressman Rucker of Col-

orado has been back to his old home

in Missouri and following that visit

has given out an interview in which he says the Democratic leaders in Missouri are laying the lines for the nomination of the Speaker.

OATH IN DAY OR TWO

to Be Confirmed Next

December.

PALMER WILL TAKE

take notice.

President last winter.

TRIES TO CONVERT **BOOM FOR CLARK** CAPTAIN OF EITEL STIRS POLITICIANS

Aged Peace Advocate, at Penn- Senators Reed and Stone and sylvania Launching Attempts to Make Him "Peaceful."

NEWPORT NEWS, March 16 .- An attempt was made today at the launching of the superdreadnaught Pennsyl- arranged his candidacy for 1916 are vania from the shippard here, to con- causing politicians here to sit up and vert Captain Thierichens, commander of the German sea raider Prinz Eite! Friedrich, to a doctrine of peace.

The commander was one of the guests on the launching stand, and almost as known to have given much considersoon as he arrived he was accosted by atton to booming the Speaker for placid faced, white haired woman who introduced herself as Mrs. M. S. Thomas, of Beacon, N. Y.

When the confmander, resplendent to full dress uniform and medals, acknowledged the introduction. Mrs. Thomas holding his sea bronzed hand, said: "Captain, do you love the people of the world as much as you love your

The big German sea warrior for moment did not understand her until her question was interpreted to him and

smoot sued for \$23,300 damages. The lase was dismissed by the Court of tains, and was taken to the Supreme still holding and patting his own. This war had to be. After it will come a long time of peace. And then, perhaps, there will be another great war. ges. The ."Madam," the sea raider replied, bow-Court of ing over the wrinkled hand, which was

"Do you not believe that the killing

ROANDEE, Va., March. St. Ffre today | Imported La Carolina Cherutos, 10c. caused \$2,000 damage to the Hun Cloth- All the fragrance of coullest Havanas -AGYL

President and Cabinet Consider "Blockade" Decree-Clamor For Reprisals Expected To Be Raised in U. S. Measure for Starving Germany Has Full Backing of France and Russia-American Pro-

posals Rejected.

Great Britain's latest order in council intended to block practically all commerce with Germany and her allies, and starve out the German and Austrian people, was taken up today by the President and his advisers at the Cabinet meeting.

Secretary Bryan presented to the Cabinet the original text of the order in council. He also presented another note which contains the reply of the British government to this country's proposals for the transmission of foodstuffs to Germany and the abandonment of the German submarine warfare.

The British government has rejected the American proposals on

The Administration recognizes the paramount importance to American commerce of the "blockade" order. This Government will protest against it, but the more important question is whether the British government and her allies will pay any heed to the protest.

MAY IGNORE PROTESTS.

a great roar rose from the steam sirens of a hundred craft, drowning the cheers front the vast throng that witnessed the launching.

Despite the significence of the launching of this giant fighting machine on the very day after Great Britain had enunciated her doctrine of "right of might," Secretary Daniels, the ranking Government official present, sounded a note of peace when he declared, shortly afterward, that "President Wilson hopes that the Pennsylvanie of the State of Pennsylvanie of Pennsyl Nothing in the present situation war-

is thought here that the Admintistration will be showered with objections to the British order in council from American commercial interests. No doubt such objections will be made to members of Congress. If the actual working out of the order in council is to inflict losses and serious hardships of American business. Horse is little on American business, there is little question that demand will go up in the United States for something more than protests-that is, for action in the

Hague Would Act With U. S. How seriously the British order-inouncil is taken by neutral countries was made apparent today when the Dutch minister, M. Van Rappard, calied at the State Department for a conference with Counsellor Lansing. The Missouri Leaders Said To Be
Active.

Mestern dispatches telling that

Speaker Champ Clark virtually has setting the force with Comment a question of joint states where the purpose of taking up with the state Department a question of joint states where the purpose of taking up with the state Department a question of joint states where the purpose of taking up with the state Department a question of joint states where the purpose of taking up with the state Department a question of joint states where the purpose of taking up with the state Department a question of joint states where the purpose of taking up with the state Department a question of joint states where the purpose of taking up with the state Department and the purpose of taking up with the state of the purpose action by the two governments in pro-testing against the order and seeking to secure some modification or relaxation of it which would make it bear less stringently upon the Netherlands. Minister Van Rappard said that until he had been fully advised officially by his government his discussion of this matter with the State Department

would be of an informat nature Van Rappard Hopeful.

I'nder the terms of the British order t will be possible to shut off a large part of the commetce of the Netherlands on the theory that goods are destined for tiermany of are proceeding through Holland from Germany. This is likely to prove extremely troublesome to Holland, and may even cause a rup-ture between Holland, and Germany, Minister Van Bappard thought there was some hope for securing a relaxation of the order so that it would not lear unite so heavily upon his own coun-Recess Appointment to Judgeship

Expect Clamor In U. S.

Were Cougress in session at this time. there is no question what would happen. The agitation in favor of cloth-President Wilson today named former Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer of Pennsylvania as a justice of the Court of Chaims to succeed Charles Rowen Howey, retired. The approlithment was torceast by The Times yesterday.

Mr. Palmer is expected to be sworn in within the next day or two. When Congress assembles in December his name will have to be sent to the Senate by the President for confirmation.